Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A projection display device comprising:

- a white light source;
- a condensing means for condensing light emitted from the white light source to form a condensed spot on a color wheel including a plurality of color filters having respective colors;
- a color selection means for selectively passing through light of each color band of the light of the condensed spot, in a predetermined order, by rotating the color wheel;
- an illumination means for condensing the light which has passed through the color selection means;
- a shading means having an opening which is disposed at one of an incident side of the color selection means and an output side of the color selection means;
- a spatial light modulator for modulating the light which has passed through the color selection means, the spatial light modulator displaying black during a period in which light which has passed through the opening has passed through two adjacent color filters and contains two colors; and
- a projection means for projecting the light modulated by the spatial light modulator onto a screen;
- a shading means having an opening which is disposed at one of an incident side of the color selection means and an output side of the color selection means; and
- a spatial light modulator driving means for driving the spatial light modulator to display black during a period in which light which has passed through the opening has passed through two adjacent color filters and contains two colors.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein

the shading means comprises a diaphragm having the—an opening of a predetermined size, through which the incident light is passed, and a width of the opening of the diaphragm with respect to a rotational direction of the color wheel is set to be equal

to or smaller than a diameter of the-a condensed spot which is formed on the color wheel at an initial use of the white light source.

Claim 3 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the shading means has a light passing part, and a size of the light passing part varies according to a wavelength of the light which has passed through the color selection means.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the shading means has a light passing part, and the projection display device further comprises a light elimination means for

partially eliminating light of a specific wavelength band, from the light which is incident on the light passing part of the shading means.

Claim 5 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the shading means is placed on an emission side of the color selection means.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the shading means is placed at a 5 mm or smaller air gap apart from the color selection means.

Claim 7 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the white light source is an extra-high pressure mercury lamp.

Claim 8 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein the condensing means is an ellipsoidal mirror.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented) The projection display device of Clam 8, wherein the color selection means has a light passing surface or a light reflecting surface located in a vicinity of a long focus of the ellipsoidal mirror.

- Claim 10 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein a plane that is orthogonal to an optical axis of the shading means is approximately circular in cross section.
- Claim 11 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 10, wherein the shading means is approximately columnar.
- Claim 12 (**Previously Presented**) The projection display device of Claim 10, wherein the shading means is approximately conical.
- Claim 13 (Previously Presented) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of color filters is fan-shaped.